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World War III Already Begun— Bishop Bennett

*Prelate Lashes Kremlin
For Lies; Warns
Against Apathy*

"It should come to you as no shock that World War III has already begun . . . the first battles have been fought and we have lost them!" Bishop John G. Bennett of La Fayette diocese declared in an address at the college theatre, April 7. His Excellency spoke to an audience of college and high school students, their parents, and citizens of Rensselaer and Jasper County in the first of the new series of talks, "American Freedom in Action," sponsored by the Very Rev. Henry A. Lucks, St. Joseph's president.

In calling upon Americans to guard their freedom against the inroads of atheistic communism, Bishop Bennett said: "We are fighting a diabolically clever enemy, an enemy whose creed is to spread confusion by lies, by attacks upon the established order."

His Excellency warned against apathy on the part of Americans. "I have heard some people say," he declared, "that because America seems at last to be aroused to the threat of communism that we have nothing more to worry about. Let me make this point emphatically clear: *that is exactly the frame of mind the communist wants us to have.*" The

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JORDANS WILL RECEIVE DEGREES

Father Hiller In Charge of D. P. Program

Resettlement of displaced European persons in the 20 counties comprising the Lafayette diocese has been placed in the charge of the Rev. Joseph A. Hiller, '13-'19, professor of German at St. Joseph's.

The appointment, made by the Most Rev. John G. Bennett, '06-'09, bishop of Lafayette, was made in conjunction with a plan sponsored by church groups and several midwestern governors, to temporarily let down immigration bars.

Living in German camps at U. S. government expense are 800,000 displaced Europeans who, because of their religious and political beliefs, cannot return to their homelands. The resettlement plan wants to bring these persons to areas in the U. S. where labor shortages exist and where living quarters can be provided.

Under Father Hiller's direction, pastors have set up committees to make a survey of each parish's needs.

Leaders of the movement are the states of Kansas, Nebraska and Minnesota, where an estimated million workers have left the farms in recent years. Displaced persons are already trained workers.

Beloved Wistful Vistans



James and Marian Jordan, the famous Fibber McGee and Molly of radio, who will receive honorary degrees at St. Joseph's of Indiana on April 15. The Jordans have consistently topped the Radio Acceptance Poll of college students which is headquartered on the campus.

Famous Couple Due on Campus April 15

*Fibber and Molly
Cited for Long Record
Of Acceptability*

Newspapers, magazines and the radio have been telling the nation how a couple of folksy people named Jim and Marian Jordan—known to millions of radio listeners every Tuesday night as Fibber and Molly McGee—will receive honorary degrees April 15 at the college.

According to St. Joseph's president, the Very Rev. Henry A. Lucks, the college will confer the doctor of laws degrees upon the Jordans in recognition of "the outstanding good taste and all-round family acceptability" which has been typical of the former Chicago and Peoria couple in 30 years of entertainment.

Father Lucks pointed out that Mr. and Mrs. Jordan, not only on Tuesday night but every day of their lives, shed a kindly, compatible humor as they portray a picture of stable, homely America.

More people dial in weekly at 79 Wistful Vista, the mythical McGee menage, than any other radio-comedy program.

After 20 weeks of balloting by college students across the nation, the Radio Acceptance Poll has announced the Fibber and Molly show as the most acceptable on the air from a good taste standpoint. RAP poll headquarters are located on St. Joseph's campus.

A special events radio broadcast will be made by the National Broadcasting Company of the academic proceedings surrounding the conferring of degrees. The Jordans will depart Hollywood April 14 by train. They will leave St. Joseph's campus in time to return to the west coast for rehearsal of the following Tuesday's broadcast.

Molly's birthday anniversary makes April 15 a special day for the occasion. It is also the day following the feast of the patronage of St. Joseph, traditional ceremonial day at the college.

SPACE MOVING FAST

Exhibit space for the National Catholic Building Convention and Exposition at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, June 30 through July 3 is selling fast. On April 10 a total of 86 booths had been taken by leading firms in the building and allied industries.

College Launches Big Spring Sports Schedule

St. Joseph's athletic department announces 28 dates in baseball, track, tennis and golf, the most extensive spring sports schedule in the college's history.

Baseball

April 17—St. Joseph's at Ball State; April 20—Wabash at St. Joseph's; April 23—Chicago U. at St. Joseph's; April 28—St. Joseph's at Wabash; April 30—Indiana State at St. Joseph's; May 5—St. Joseph's at Valparaiso; May 7—St. Joseph's at Evansville; May 10—St. Joseph's at Chicago U.; May 15—Ball State at St. Joseph's; May 21—St. Joseph's at Louisville U.; May 22—St. Joseph's at Indiana State; May 26—Valparaiso at St. Joseph's.

Track

April 17—St. Joseph's at Ball State; April 24—St. Joseph's at Rose Tech Invitational Relays, Terre Haute; April 28—Valparaiso

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GREATEST WAVE OF CATHOLIC BUILDING IN HISTORY FORECAST BY FOUNDATION SURVEY

The greatest wave of church, school and institutional construction and remodeling in all history will take place in the United States during the next decade.

This statement was made recently to the press by the Very Rev. Henry A. Lucks, president of the college, sponsors of the National Catholic Building Convention and Exposition to be held in Chicago at the Stevens Hotel June 30, July 1, 2 and 3.

The business and industry foundation of the college, continuing its nation-wide survey among Catholic pastors, religious superiors and college officials, reports 741 returns as of April 1. All are planning building and

remodeling projects for execution within the next three years. Value of these projects exceeds \$220,000,000, not including decorating, furnishings and equipment. This is, of course, only a very limited sample of the total national program for the Church. Previously the greatest wave of church construction occurred in the century between 1170 and 1270, Father Lucks said. In that time in France 80 cathedrals and approximately 500 cathedral-class churches were built at a cost equivalent to about \$3,000,000,000 today.

Leading authorities in the building, furnishing, decorating and equipment industries will appear on the National Catholic

Building Convention program.

"We are extending a cordial invitation to pastors, religious superiors, college officials and architects to attend," Father Lucks explained. "His Eminence, Samuel Cardinal Stritch is honorary chairman, and the hierarchy from coast to coast has acclaimed the convention and exposition as one of the most necessary and helpful steps ever taken to bring all Catholic building interests together for intensive discussion of problems."

A preliminary survey to determine attendance indicates that Catholic builders representing each of the 118 dioceses of the nation will be present.

VERY REV. HENRY A. LUCKS, President
 REV. FRANCIS A. HEHN, Vice-president
 REV. EDWIN G. KAISER, Secretary
 REV. WALTER T. PAX, Dean of the College
 REV. JOSEPH A. SHEERAN, Dean of Men
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The Message of Fatima

IN his great work, "Our Lady of Light," based on the writings of a fellow Jesuit, Fr. Husselein asserts that two main points stand out prominently in the mystery of Fatima: the prodigies and the message. The prodigies are unequalled in history, but more important than those, and that which must be remembered above all, is the message for which the prodigies were but the awe-inspiring occasion. The message can be fitly introduced with the words of the Gospel: "If thou hadst known, and that in this thy day, the things that are to thy peace!"

For it is a message of warning; the world is suffering from the forgetfulness of the eternal truths; men live, more and more, in the passing moment and for the passing moment, withdrawing themselves ever further and further from the path of Christ and of penance; morality has hardly any other meaning than free caprice, personal interest, or pleasure. At Lourdes the Mother of Mercy cried out: "Penance! Penance!" And at Fatima that cry is repeated and repeated. "Men must amend their ways and ask pardon for their sins." The Lady of Light came to reawaken in men a sense of sin, to engender a horror for it, and to reveal, at least in part, the frightful consequences of it.

The present state of the world has been compared to that which preceded the deluge; in a very true sense, it can be described as much worse, for the graces of the new dispensation are so much more abundant and powerful than were those of the Old; the promises of Old have been fulfilled; Christ, our God, dwells in our midst; our earth can truly be called now the dwelling place of the Lord. But the vices and sins of men are multiplied; the world is groping toward destruction in the gloom of sacrilege and in the darkness that results from the spurnings of grace, and in the despair that comes from the neglect of the Law of Love.

"Our Lady said that there are many wars and disputes in the world; but wars are only the punishment for the sins of the world. The Blessed Virgin can no longer hold back the arm of her Son over the world. There must be amendment. If men repented of their sins, our Lord would forgive them; but if they do not change their lives, the chastisement will come."

Conversion to God and to the ways of the Lord is the message of Fatima, accompanied with dire threats if the warning is not heeded, and with motherly promises if the message bears fruit; for, although conversion is the first condition of eternal salvation for each individual, it will have its reward also here below: "If men amend their lives, the war will soon cease!"

We hold in our hands the simple, but also the only, remedy for the ills of the world; and the most powerful but also the unique means for "peace on earth" in our day. Our Lady of Light has given these to us, with unmistakable threats if we neglect them, but with most consoling promises if we but use them: **Penance, Sacrifice, and Prayer.**—H. A. L.

Alumni Quickies

Jim Dolan, junior class president, is the man to write if you plan to attend the 1948 spring formal . . . it will be held the night of May 15 in the fieldhouse . . . pre-war proms were tops, but you should see the fieldhouse all decked out like a dance palace . . . High school basketball teams at Miller City, Ohio, have been of high caliber since they were taken over five years ago by Joe Nienberg, '31-'35 . . . this year his squad won the Putnam County championship and went to the district tournament finals . . . Joe is also principal of MCHS . . . H. T. Cooney, '01-'02, saw three of his sons become members of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus recently . . . they were James '38-'40, Leo, '42-'43, and Thomas, '41-'43 . . . also initiated at the same time was a cousin of the Cooneys, Richard Hurley, '42-'43 . . . Next time in Fostoria, Ohio, look up Eugene C. Lonsway, '99-'04, at his "Lonsway Printery" . . . Father Clement Crock, '06-'11, is the new chaplain at St. Clare Monastery, Canton, Ohio . . . 30 years a priest, Father Crock is a noted author with more than 65,000 copies of his books in circulation . . . he will continue literary work at his new assignment . . . Martin E. Greven, '30-'32, has been named advertising manager for *Our Sunday Visitor* . . . with 11 years' experience in advertising, Mart was formerly account executive for the Louis E. Wade agency in Fort Wayne . . . Bob Olsen, '38-'40, has traveled through 14 countries in Europe and Africa since the end of the war . . . he worked successively with International Red Cross, U.N.R.R.A., Jewish Welfare Relief and the Co-Op Association for Relief of Europe, Inc. . . . he's back home in Evansville, semi-permanently . . . When last heard from, John Tullio, '44-'45, was still in the Navy as a yeoman . . . He's aiming for pre-med following discharge . . . In charge of the makeup department of the Little Theatre group at St. Meinrad Seminary is Clifford Riede, a graduate of last June . . . Michael Stohr, '30-'35, is taking night courses at St. Louis U.

Additional Figures in Building Study

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A total of 770 new structures and remodeling jobs were reported upon in the second survey of the Catholic building field for an estimated value in excess of \$170,000,000. The following figures show only those jobs for which figures were given. An additional 101 jobs were reported but the amounts for them are as yet undetermined.

19	Hospitals*	\$30,250,000.00
157	Churches*	23,317,000.00
127	Grade Schools*	19,179,000.00
31	College Buildings*	17,305,000.00
33	High Schools*	13,247,000.00
94	Convents*	7,900,000.00
61	Recreation Centers*	6,274,000.00
109	Rectories*	4,226,000.00
10	Miscellaneous Buildings*	4,004,500.00
3	Seminaries*	3,600,000.00
4	Church and Grade School combinations	785,000.00
5	Grade and High School combinations	1,150,000.00
3	High School and Recreation Center combinations	700,000.00
4	Chapels	755,000.00
1	Monastery	500,000.00
3	Church and Rectory combinations*	413,000.00
1	Convent, School and Recreation Center combination	150,000.00
1	Church, Rectory and Grade School combination	100,000.00
1	Convent and Grade School combination*	30,000.00
2	Church and Mission combinations	16,000.00
669		\$133,891,000.00

* Additional jobs in all of these classifications for a total of 770 were reported upon but only those for which sums have been determined are shown here. The Business and Industry Foundation estimates that at least \$40,000,000.00 will be expended for those jobs in the "amount undetermined" classification, bringing the total results of this second section of the national survey to well over \$170,000,000 for the actual returns in the second section of the survey. The third survey will be reported upon in the May issue.

Returns in the pilot survey which were given in these pages last month were for a total of 171 structures with an estimated value in excess of \$50,000,000. This total added to the second survey total brings the grand total for the survey to date to more than \$220,000,000 for a total of 941 jobs.

Father Roof Sparks Sports Idea to Success

Midlands Conference Is "Athletics for The Masses"

A new idea in college sports—that of staging intercollegiate competition between champion non-varsity teams—paid off last March 19 in Davenport, Iowa, when the first Midlands Conference Extramural Tournament was sponsored at St. Ambrose College.

Credit for the idea goes to the Rev. Edward Roof, '18-'23, director of athletics at St. Joseph's, and originator of the Midlands



Rev. Edward Roof, St. Joseph's athletic director, who sought way to let all play.

Conference, composed of St. Ambrose, St. Benedict's, St. Norbert's, Loras and St. Joseph's.

When the all-day tournaments were completed, St. Ambrose was first with 20 points; St. Joseph's was second with 13; Loras scored nine. Competition was held in basketball, volley ball, bowling and ping pong.

The non-varsity Pumas returned to Collegeville with three trophies, having earned firsts in volley ball and ping pong singles. The "spare time" Puma basketball squad was edged by St. Ambrose in the finals.

Provides for All

Father Roof first began thinking about "athletics for the masses" ten years ago, when he realized that varsity sports engaged only about 100 students, with little done for hundreds of sports-minded collegians, many of them former high school athletes.

At Father Roof's suggestion, the Midlands became probably the first intercollegiate league to also foster sports on the intramural level.

Fred Jones, director of St. Joseph's intramural athletics, deserves a round of tribute for his handling of a sports program involving 400 students. He was in charge of the 26 St. Joe campus champions who went to Davenport.

Familiar Scenes on St. Joseph's Campus as Spring Takes Over



Twin Towers, symbol of Catholic education, visible for many miles from the campus, are atop the chapel. (Left) Science Hall, from which the gymnasium has been removed to make room for the new, modern library.



(Above) The entrance to Noll Hall, one of the new student residence halls, across the road from the science building. (Right) The new fieldhouse, scene of many athletic events and new home of the college gymnasium.



Big Spring Sports Schedule

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raiso at St. Joseph's; May 5—St. Joseph's at Valparaiso; May 22—St. Joseph's at Midlands Invitational Meet, Dubuque, Iowa.

Tennis

April 28—Valparaiso at St. Joseph's; April 30—Indiana State at St. Joseph's; May 5—St. Joseph's at Valparaiso; May 14 and 15—St. Joseph's at Earlham Little State Meet, Richmond; May 21—St. Joseph's at Louisville U.; May 22—St. Joseph's at Indiana State.

Golf

April 30—St. Joseph's at Indiana State; May 5—St. Joseph's at Valparaiso; May 14—Valparaiso at St. Joseph's; May 22—

Midlands Golf Meet, Dubuque, Iowa; May 28—Indiana State at St. Joseph's.

Dick Scharf, '34-'38, is in his second season as head baseball coach. Last year his squad was especially impressive as it won seven out of ten games.

Art Cosgrove and Jim Puett are serving as co-coaches of track. The Rev. Edward Roof, '18-'23, will coach tennis, while golf will be directed by the Rev. Marcellus Dreiling, '25-'30.

Ask Translation Rights

Rights to translate *A Century of the Catholic Essay*, an anthology compiled last year by the Rev. Raphael Gross, '27-'32, have been requested by publishers in England, Italy, Mexico, Holland and Argentina.

World War III Already Begun

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more certain we are that the fight is won, the more vulnerable we are to attack."

Bishop Bennett struck at the stand of one American newspaper which said that it is possible for a person to be a communist politically and a Catholic religiously. Calling that "the kind of fanciful lie the Kremlin loves to tell," he said, "I say to you that no Catholic can be a communist and no Christian or Jew can believe in Christ and God and still believe in Stalin."

He urged Protestants, Jews and Catholics in the audience to join in a prayer crusade for the de-

liverance of Italy from communist domination.

His Excellency said that if the promises of communism were really working out there would be no need to hide the fact behind a veil of secrecy. "Back of the iron curtain," he said, "there is no happiness, there is no success—only suffering and slavery for the masses. And it must remain that way until the commissar is dethroned, until the individual is returned to the place God intended for him, and until God Himself is restored to the hearts of His people and to the altars of His churches."

Father Lucks announced that the second talk in the series will be delivered soon. An outstanding figure from the field of industry will be the speaker.

Sisters at Summer School

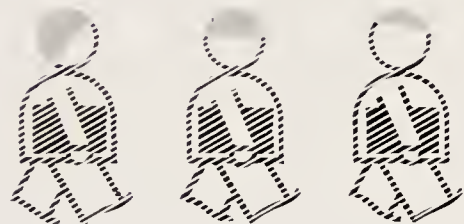
Catholic sisters will attend summer classes at St. Joseph's for the first time in the college's 57-year history.

Drexel Hall, picturesque upper-class residence hall, east of highway 53, will be "home" for the sisters during the summer session, which runs from June 26 to August 6.

All summer classes will be scheduled in the morning, according to the Rev. Henry Martin, '32-'35, director of the session.

Last summer Drexel Hall housed the Chicago Bears while they trained at St. Joseph's.

Testing Bureau



gives quick picture

of Student Gray Matter



A RELATIVELY new development at St. Joseph's is the Testing Bureau, which functions under the direction of the Rev. Henry J. Martin, M.S. in Ed., '35, assistant professor of education.

For many years new students at St. Joseph's, at the time of their entrance, have enjoyed the benefits of Father Walter Pax' well-organized orientation program. An important part of this program was the Psychological Examination and the tests in English, Mathematics, Religion and General Culture.

Good counselling procedure demands that results of placement tests should be in the hands of faculty advisors at the time of pre-registration conferences. Speed thus becomes essential. Because of this, and because of the very considerable expansion in enrollment, with an accompanying increase in testing detail, the bureau was established two years ago to handle all orientation testing on the campus. Its scope has since been extended to embrace all local standardized testing.

Students Use Latest In Guidance Materials

A well-lighted, pleasant room, 42 feet long and 24 feet wide, located on the first floor of the Administration Building, was assigned to Father Martin to house the newly-created bureau. Remodeled in December, 1947, the bureau now consists of a large office and workshop, plus two smaller rooms for individual testing. Into these rooms students stream daily to make use of the very latest in educational and vocational guidance materials.

An electric test-scoring machine was installed in the fall of 1946. With it a skilled operator may score as many as 30 tests in an hour, and this with accuracy considerably greater than could be gained in the old-fashioned, hand-scoring method. In addition the office is equipped with the most modern machinery for use in the computation of statistical data. Today the regular bureau staff

handles easily and quickly a volume of work greater than that which formerly kept a larger emergency group busy for days.

A majority of the instructors on the campus make use of the services of the bureau in their various tests throughout the year. Frequent testing, generally acknowledged as a necessity for good teaching, has thus become possible without the burden of spending countless wearisome hours of reading.

Published standardized tests alone are not used in this way, but Father Martin offers and often gives assistance to other members of the teaching staff who wish to construct objective tests in their own specialized teaching areas. Instructors are at present devising compre-

hensive examinations in several departments.

The Very Rev. Henry A. Lucks, president of the college, has seen in the testing bureau an instrument of service to the community. He has encouraged Father Martin to offer his help and the use of his facilities to all the schools of the state. To date, complete testing programs have been carried out in several large schools, and nine others have requested help in instituting similar programs during the remaining months of this term. Indeed, indications are that the service demanded will soon be tremendous.

In addition to the administration and scoring of tests, this aid to the schools includes an analysis of the results, the graphic representation of test data, and conferences with the school staff relative to methods of remedying weaknesses that may appear during the examination. Administrators of schools which have already instituted the program are enthusiastic about its benefits, and through them many others are coming to request similar aid. Alert educators throughout the country are greatly interested in learning whether their "raw materials" are sub-normal, normal, or superior, and whether their schools are doing a poor, fair, good or superior job with the materials given them. The program of standardized testing gives the answers to these questions.

Large Library of Tests Is Available

A large library of published tests on all levels has been acquired by the bureau, and is available for the use of all. There are tests of intelligence, language, arts, study habits, foreign languages, interests, arithmetic, history, geography, algebra, trigonometry, economics, literature, vocabulary, physics, chemistry, geology, biology, and many others. Those curious about such things may even have their own personality measured, analyzed and typed.

Two Clerical Alumni Die

Death claimed two clerical alumni during the past month. On March 2 the Rev. Arthur Froehle, '19-'24, regular army chaplain and priest of the archdiocese of Cincinnati, died suddenly of a heart attack at Ft. Sheridan, Ill. Father Froehle was formerly assistant superintendent of schools of the archdiocese, and first business manager of the *Cincinnati Telegraph-Register*. He is survived by his mother and two sisters in Dayton, Ohio, and a brother in Tokyo, Japan.

An older alumnus, the Rev. Nicholas Keller, '00-'06, pastor of St. Bridget's, Logansport, Ind., died in that city, March 10, after a lengthy illness. A brother, the Rev. Otto Keller, also an alumnus, survives.

To the bereaved relatives of these two priests CONTACT! extends sincere sympathy.